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JP 09-304506	A radio transmitter of a victim transmits the absolute position of the victim to a rescue system processor. The processor automatically selects a rescue boat closest to the victim among the rescue boats registered beforehand and retransmits starting instructions.
JP 10-254913	Images are transmitted when reporting accident.
JP 11-212624	Availability of turnout responsive to a turnout request is input
JP 11-298853	Images are transmitted when reporting accident.

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